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TAGS: EMIN, TH

SUBJECT: TEMCO: KHUKRIT VS PROTESTORS

REF: BANGKOK 25887

1. "BANGKOK POST" DEC. 17 QUOTED PRIMIN KHUKRIT AS SAYING  
NOT ONLY HAS WE LOST REVENUES AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE

EARNINGS AS RESULT YEARLONG TEMCO SHUTDOWN, BUT THAT NOW  
HE FEARS INTERNATIONAL TIN COUNCIL MIGHT PRUNE THAILAND'S  
QUOTA AS RESULT DROP IN OVERALL TIN PRODUCTION.

2. SAME ARTICLE QUOTED ONE PROTESTOR AS SAYING "STUDENTS"  
WILL CONTINUE PROTESTS UNTIL GOVERNMENT BANS MINING  
OPERATIONS BY FOREIGN FIRMS IN THAILAND.

3. PRIMIN KHUKRIT REPORTEDLY SAID GOVERNMENT HAD CONSIDERED  
ISSUE CAREFULLY PRIOR TO AWARDED CONTRACT TO BILLITON, BUT  
THAT GOVERNMENT IN ANY EVENT WELCOMES ADVICE AND OPINIONS  
FROM OPPOSITION GROUPS.

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4. PROTESTORS ARE REPORTEDLY TRYING TO ORGANIZE ANTI-BILLITON POLLUTION RALLIES IN BANGKOK AND PROVINCES, AND HAVE APPEALED IN OPEN LETTER TO POLITICAL PARTIES FOR SUPPORT.

5. IN RELATED DEVELOPMENT, "WORLD" DEC. 17 QUOTED DEPUTY INTERIOR MINISTER BUNLOET LOETPRICHA TO THE EFFECT THAT HE PLANS TO ORDER SPECIAL BRANCH POLICE TO MONITOR ACTIVITIES OF PROTESTORS, MANY OF WHOM, HE SAID, ARE MASQUERADING AS STUDENTS. HE THREATENED TO ARREST THOSE FOUND FOMENTING "DISUNITY AMONG THE PEOPLE," ACCORDING TO "WORLD".  
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